

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 103

Introduced by Assembly Member Fox

February 20, 2014

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 103—Relative to California Poppy Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 103, as introduced, Fox. California Poppy Month.

This measure would recognize April, 2014, as California Poppy Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, On April 26 and 27, 2014, the Antelope Valley
2 will host the California Poppy Festival, an annual event to celebrate
3 the state’s most colorful visitor, the California poppy; and
4 WHEREAS, The California poppy is the official flower of the
5 State of California; and
6 WHEREAS, The California Poppy Reserve is located in the
7 Antelope Valley and was designated as a state reserve to emphasize
8 the strict protection of a specific resource, the California poppy,
9 by making available significant displays of blooming poppies and
10 associated wildflowers for the public to enjoy; and
11 WHEREAS, The poppy has always symbolized California’s
12 good life, as its color mirrors California’s climate and charm, and
13 the profusion of its blooms reflects the richness of the Golden
14 State; and
15 WHEREAS, Many cultures and people in history have used the
16 poppy in their legends and folklore; and

1 WHEREAS, In Native American history, the Great Spirit sent
2 the Fire Flower to drive away the evils of frost and famine, and to
3 fill the land with warmth and plenty; and

4 WHEREAS, For the Spanish, the poppy was an omen, a promise
5 that California was rich and fertile, and they called it Copa de Oro,
6 the cup of gold; and

7 WHEREAS, To the miners of the Gold Rush of 1849, the poppy
8 was a symbol of gold, since the flower and metal shared a common
9 color and both were abundant; and

10 WHEREAS, The Antelope Valley shares a common commitment
11 to promote among the residents of the State of California an
12 appreciation of the California poppy through tourism and
13 educational opportunities; now, therefore, be it

14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
15 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby recognizes April,
16 2014, as California Poppy Month.

17 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
18 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.